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MHA statement on ongoing protests and community health and well-being

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MHA's mission is to advance the health of individuals and communities through leadership, advocacy and collaboration on behalf of Minnesota hospitals and health systems.

At the core of the ongoing protests that began last week is an outpouring of community grief and anger at the killing of George Floyd in Minneapolis. All around us is a community in pain – from injustice, fear, loss, worry and generations of ongoing inequity.

Our hospitals and health systems are an integral part of the communities they serve. Our front-line care team members and leaders are working tirelessly to support the health and well-being of their communities, today and every day, even in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic and ongoing protests.

As caregivers, we want to make sure that every Minnesotan stays healthy and has access to high-quality care when they need it. We want to ensure the safety of our health care heroes who need to commute to and from our hospitals and clinics in order to serve our patients day and night every day of the week. We want to ensure our emergency medical service professionals will be able to safely reach individuals in need of care. We want our communities to be safe places where all residents can thrive.

We know that our health care and social service system has much work to do to reduce health disparities and ensure that Minnesota is a safe and healthy place for all residents to live, work and grow. Minnesota's hospitals and health systems will continue to actively work to meet the needs of their communities and ensure that every individual receives the highest quality of care for the best quality of life.

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